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EPA Statement (PM, 6/13 Endorsed)

William Olefin Plant, Geismar, LA

EPA has deployed emergency response personnel to the site of the explosion and fire at the Williams Olefin facility in Geismar, Louisiana. The cause of the initial fire is still under investigation.

EPA's emergency response personnel will coordinate with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and multiple state and local partners on the response. Additional EPA personnel and contractors are on standby.

The facility is required to prepare a Risk Management Plan. The facility is also subject to EPCRA Tier II reporting requirements and must submit information to the state, local emergency planning committee and fire department.

Within the last 5 years, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality has taken two Clean Air Act enforcement actions against Williams Olefins facility resulting in total penalties of \$4,500. The last Clean Air Act inspection was conducted by the state officials in December 2011.



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